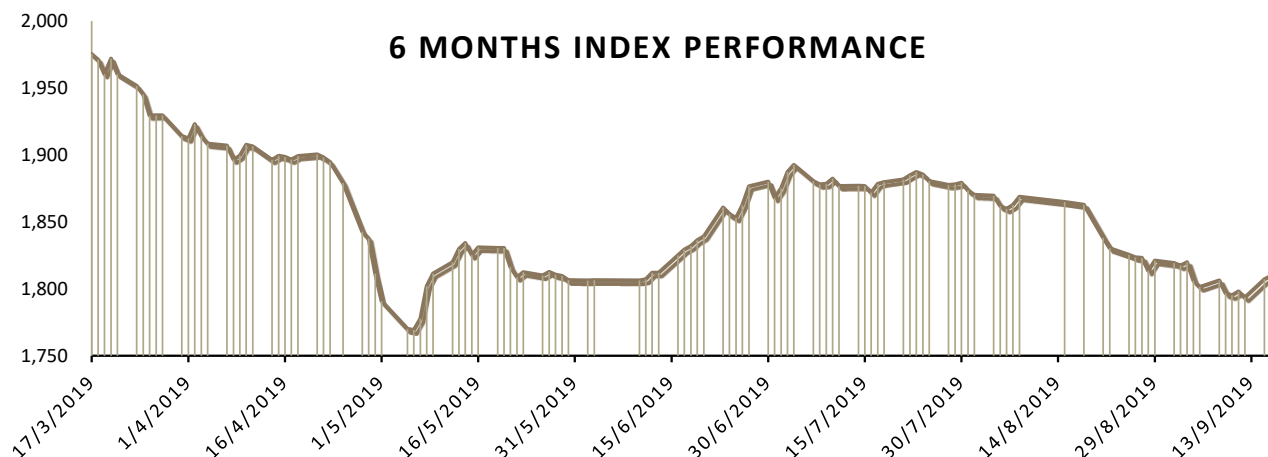


	Close	% Change	Year-to-Date (YTD)	Daily Volume (shares)	Daily Turnover (JOD)
AMMAN SE GENERAL INDEX	1,816.13	0.09%	-4.86%	5,185,234	6,875,120



Best Performing Companies

	% Change
EMMAR INVESTMENTS & REAL EST	4.35
INTERMEDIATE PETROCHEMICALS	3.17
INJAZ FOR DEVELOPMENT AND PR	2.74
JORDANIAN EXPATRIATES INV HL	1.92
HOUSING BANK FOR TRADE AND F	1.82

Worst Performing Companies

	% Change
JORDAN PIPES MANUFACTURING	(3.09)
INDUSTRIAL COMMERCIAL & AGRI	(3.57)
ARAB EAST INVESTMENT	(4.00)
JORDAN DECAPOLIS PROPERTIES	(4.00)
ISLAMIC INSURANCE CO	(4.55)

Top Traded Companies by Volume (Shares)

UNION INVESTMENT CORP	799,842
SPECIALIZED INVESTMENT COMPO	677,000
NATIONAL CABLE & WIRE MANUF	453,681
CENTURY INVESTMENT GROUP	236,603
AL ENTKAEYA FOR INVESTMENT	229,398

Top Traded Companies by Value (JOD)

SPECIALIZED INVESTMENT COMPO	1,420,696
ARAB BANK PLC	1,192,680
UNION INVESTMENT CORP	1,025,889
CENTURY INVESTMENT GROUP	567,699
JORDAN VEGETABLE OIL INDUSTR	314,290

Macroeconomic & Corporate News

Telecom, ICT revenues touched \$2.2 billion in 2018

The revenues of the telecommunications and information technology sectors by the end of 2018 reached \$2.2 billion, marking a 4.5 per cent growth rate for the two sectors combined, the ICT Association of Jordan (Int@j) announced on Tuesday. According to an Int@j survey, \$1.42 billion of revenue was attributed to the telecommunications sector, with a growth rate of 1.5 per cent, and \$750 million in revenue to the IT sector, that grew by 10.7 per cent, attributing this increase to tax incentives endorsed in 2016. The survey was based on data Int@j collected from ICT companies in the Kingdom, and showed that Jordan is still a strategic destination for ICT sectors in the region, the Jordan News Agency, Petra, reported. A total of 17,698 employees worked for the ICT sectors in 2018, without any change in the number when compared to 2017, Int@j said, noting that the sector witnessed “strong” female participation, as opportunities for women increased by 3 per cent. Males occupy 67 per cent of the total jobs in the sector. As for exports, the IT sector’s exports in 2018 totalled \$262 million, where the Gulf Cooperation Council countries and Iraq amounted to 60.5 per cent of the sector’s exports, while local revenues stood at \$487 million, which means that 65 per cent of the revenues were generated from the local economy, according to Petra

Oil holds huge gains after Saudi blasts

Oil prices dipped on Tuesday but held most of the previous day’s record gains following an attack on Saudi facilities that wiped out half the country’s output, with traders nervously awaiting the US response after it said Iran was likely to blame. The crisis revived fears of a conflict in the tinderbox Gulf region and raised questions about the security of crude fields in the world’s top exporter as well as other producers. It has also taken attention away from the upcoming trade talks between China and the US, as well as a much-anticipated policy meeting of the Federal Reserve (Fed), which is expected to cut interest rates. Trump said he was ready to help Riyadh following the strikes, but would await a “definitive” determination on who was responsible. Iran-backed Houthi rebels in Yemen have claimed responsibility, but Washington and Riyadh have pointed the finger at Tehran, which denies the accusations. Trump appeared to temper his earlier warning that the US was “locked and loaded” to respond, saying: “I’m not looking to get into a new conflict, but sometimes you have to.”

* Source: Bloomberg, Jordan Times, Zawya

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